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Burns Post Office Burns, Colorado Docket No. A2012-79

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE WITHDRAWING FINAL DETERMINATION

(January 26, 2012)

On January 17, 2012,¹ the United States Postal Service filed a notice withdrawing its Final Determination related to the closing of the Burns Post Office. It states that it "has decided to withdraw its Final Determination to Close the Burns, CO Post Office" and "requests that this proceeding be dismissed." *Id.*

The Public Representative does not, object to the Postal Service withdrawing a Final Determination. However, the Public Representative believes that it is in the public's best interest for the Postal Service to provide information as to why the Final Determination is being withdrawn. This will help ensure that the closure and consolidation process remains open and transparent as envisioned by 39 U.S.C. 404(d).

Notwithstanding, provided that the Postal Service no longer has any current plans to discontinue the Burns Post Office, the Public Representative does not oppose the Postal Service withdrawing its final determination or the Commission dismissing this case. If the Commission does dismiss this case, the Public Representative requests that the Commission make any such dismissal of this case without prejudice to the petitioners.

¹ United States Postal Service Notice Withdrawing Final Determination, January 17, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

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